

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0019] with the following replacement paragraph [0019]:

[0019] For exemplary purposes only, FIG. 1C illustrates that there are many kinds of media, such as music (MP3s, WMAs WMVs, etc.), streaming audio/video, photos (JPEGs JPEGS, GIFs, etc.), movie files (MOVs, MPEGs, etc.), advertisements, broadcast media (radio, TV, cable, etc.), graphics data, etc. Fig. 1C also illustrates that there is are a variety of devices that render media in some fashion, for some purpose. These devices include, but are not limited to, televisions, radios, tuners, DVD players, VCRs, MP3 players, Smart Display devices, laptops, gaming machines, remote control devices, cell phones, PDAs, digital picture frames, etc. The exemplary, non-limiting links between the media types and devices illustrate that each of the types of devices may or may not have the ability to render the type of media in question. Thus, the media rendering capabilities of the remote devices are diverse. Moreover, even if a device supports the ability to render a particular format, there is still a difference between the user interface capabilities presented at a host device versus the capabilities of a user interface presented at the remote device. It would be desirable to have a user interface abstraction layer for the translation of the user interface capabilities from the host device to the remote device.

Please replace paragraph [0101] with the following replacement paragraph [0101]:

[0101] To facilitate creation of a client's capabilities string, in another embodiment, the invention provides a client capabilities token builder (CCTB) tool 500, as shown with an exemplary UI in Fig. 5. The CCTB tool 500 is used to create a set of token(s) that communicate device capabilities to the host PC. To create the token(s), one simply selects the relevant device capabilities from a the list 510; and assigns a friendly name to the device, if applicable ('Remote_Media_Device' is the friendly name in Fig. 5, which is also utilized herein to refer to an exemplary remote media device that may be used in connection with the present invention). The values for the capability token(s) are displayed in a the first field 520. The UTF-8 encoded manifestation of this string is displayed in a the second field 530. In this embodiment, the UTF-8 encoded string is passed to the host PC via a virtual channel to specify device capabilities. It is noted that any format could be used to describe

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the values of the first field 520, and so the invention should not be construed to be limited to the use of a UTF-8 encoding scheme.